

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings and versions of claims in this application. Please cancel claims 23-36, without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claim 1, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A distal assembly of an endoscopic surgical device, comprising:

a first arm and a second arm pivotal relative to the first arm, each arm configured to hold a part of a two-part fastener at a distal end of the arm;

a closing mechanism positioned proximate a proximal end of each of the first and second arms opposite the distal end of each of the first and second arms, the closing mechanism configured to move in relation to the first and second arms ~~so as to close over at least one of the first and second arms~~ and contact an outer surface of at least one of the first and second arms that faces away from the other of the first and second arms to cause the distal ends of the arms to come together; and

an actuation member attached to the closing mechanism actuable to cause the closing mechanism to move in relation to the first and second arms.

2. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 1, wherein the actuation member is a cable.

3. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 1, wherein each of the first and second arms is straight.

4. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 1, wherein one of the first and second arms is curved.
5. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 4, wherein the closing mechanism is configured to close over the curved arm.
6. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 1, further comprising a spring at a pivot between the first and second arms.
7. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 6, wherein the spring provides a force to cause the distal ends of the arms to be pushed apart.
8. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 1, wherein the actuation member includes an elongate member having a threaded end that mates with a threaded hole in the closing mechanism.
9. (Original) The distal assembly of claim 1, wherein the closing mechanism includes a tube.
10. (Previously Presented) An assembly for endoscopically deploying a two-part fastener, comprising:
 - a flexible endoscope;

the distal assembly of claim 1, the distal assembly configured to be guided along the endoscope; and

a stop mechanism located on the endoscope and configured to stop the advancement of the distal assembly at a location relative to the endoscope.

11. (Original) The assembly of claim 10, wherein the stop mechanism includes a ring.

12-20. (Canceled).

21. (Original) The assembly of claim 10, wherein the endoscope further comprises a distal assembly including a housing having a first light source and imaging system facing a distal direction and a second light source and imaging system facing a proximal direction opposite the distal direction.

22. (Previously Presented) The distal assembly of claim 1, further comprising:
a housing having a first light source and imaging system facing a distal direction and a second light source and imaging system facing a proximal direction opposite the distal direction.

23-36. (Canceled).